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November 19, 1954

The Dow Chemical Company Post Office Box 500 Gardena, California

Attention: Mr. R. J. Reslock

Maintenance Engineer

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Private Contract Number 197
James Street and Vermont Avenue

Job Number 6451

In reply to your letter of October 20, 1954, please be advised that the Department of County Engineer and Surveyor does not exercise jurisdiction over the issuance of permits for installation of pipe lines or other facilities within public highways. Therefore, your letter and enclosures have been referred to the County Road Department for consideration regarding road permits.

With reference to the sewer pipe line located in Vermont Avenue and James Street (now Del Amo Boulevard) this line was constructed under Private Contract Number 197 and Road Permit Number 350487 was issued for construction within the public highways. Portions of the public streets within which said sewer line is located have since been annexed to the City of Los Angeles as shown upon your drawing L 1-835A. Our records do not contain a dedication of the sanitary sewer to the County. Therefore, the County does not claim title to the sewer line neither does the County maintain the sewer line.

Your letter indicates that the status of the sewer line is indefinite to which we concur. If the sewer line were to be classified as a "private sewer" the matter of a franchise would arise. On the other hand it is generally

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undesirable for private sewers to be operated without provision for adequate maintenance. For these reasons we consider it desirable that the sewer be dedicated to a public agency for maintenance. Since the sewer and the area served is partially in incorporated territory it would be appropriate that Sanitation District Number 8 of Los Angeles County be granted jurisdiction over this sewer. Mr. A. M. Rawn is Chief Engineer and General Manager of the County Sanitation Districts, located at 2020 West Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles 57, California.

Yours very truly,

William J. Fox COUNTY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR

Original Signed

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R. L. Gregory, Chief Deputy

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